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A RESOLUTION To confirm the appointment of Mr. Thomas H. Edwards to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201, provides for the creation of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201, further provides that the Governor shall appoint nine members to that commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Phil Bredesen has recently appointed Mr. Thomas H. Edwards of Paris, Tennessee, to serve on the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission; Mr. Thomas H. Edwards will represent West Tennessee (District 7) during a term that will expire on February 28, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas Edwards is a resident of Paris, Tennessee, and owner of Gleason Foundry Company; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work with the Gleason Foundry Company, Mr. Edwards maintains a successful row crop farming operation, which produces crops for market in a way that is conducive to the production of wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Thomas H. Edwards is a lifelong outdoorsman, who is well-versed in the subject of the conservation of game animals, birds and fish; this knowledge is illustrated by his active participation in such organizations as Quail Unlimited, National Turkey Federation, and Partners for Wildlife Wetlands Program; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards has generously donated his time and energy to organize West Tennessee women and youth hunting programs, has been a local Duck's Unlimited chapter committee member for 21 years, and has served as a member of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Foundation since its conception and now serves as Vice-Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Thomas H. Edwards's expertise in wildlife and conservation issues would be a tremendous asset to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201(b)(1), provides that each member appointed to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission by the Governor shall be confirmed by the House Conservation and Environment Committee and the Senate Environment, Conservation and Tourism Committee and by joint resolution of the General Assembly prior to beginning his term of office; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENATIVES CONCURRING, That the Senate and the House of Representatives hereby confirm the appointment of Mr. Thomas H. Edwards of Paris, Tennessee, to a six (6) year term on the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission, such term to expire on February 28, 2009.

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